MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) & (*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The report is under consideration.

Rentals for toddy and arrack shops.

84. *MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the total rentals for the toddy shops and the arrack shops in the State during the last biennial contract period ;

(*b*) the amounts collected under the above items ; and

(*c*) the amounts written off under each head ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : (*a*), (*b*) & (*c*). A *statement giving the particulars required is laid on the table.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR : May I know why during the year 1110 the amount of remission is very much higher than in 1111 ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN : There was general remission during 1110. But in 1111, remission was granted only to a few shops in the Alleppey town which had lost heavily when there was an outbreak of plague and business was at a stand still.

Arrears of work in the office of the Public Service Commissioner.

85. *MR. K. R. NARAYANAN : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received any report to the effect that the work in the office of the Public Service Commissioner is in arrears owing to insufficiency of hands ; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Additional staff was appointed during 1112 and for the special examination to be held in 1113.

Statute Revision Committee.

86. *MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) how long the Statute Revision Committee was on duty ;

(*b*) the expenses incurred on that body ; and

(*c*) the nature of the work done by the body ?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Law Member to Government*) : (*a*) From the 27th Chingam 1111/12th September 1935 to the 21st Thulam 1112/6th November 1936.

(*b*) Rs. 10,832.

(*c*) The committee revised the Penal Code, gave general directions *re* the revision of the Criminal Procedure Code and recorded their opinion on certain references made to them by Government.

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* *Vide* Appendix—VII. Page 307.

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